

AUBURN ARTS COMMISSION
Thursday, March 8, 2007
Auburn Civic Center, Room 10
MINUTES

Meeting called to order by Louise Burda Gilbert

A quorum was present. Those attending: Stephanie Wills, Marilyn Hamner-Crout, Louise Burda Gilbert, Mike McCoy, and Sue Dings.

Minutes of Feb. 8, 2007 were accepted as sent.

Project Reports: Art in Public Places

1. **Elks Club Wall Mural:** Louise will discuss the Art Commission's selection with the City Manager, after which she will review the project with the chosen artist and ask for a final drawing. The other artists who submitted designs will be thanked for submitting their proposals.
2. **Old City Hall Wall Mural:** Consensus was to invite the Sierra College students under the guidance of teacher Gary William Graham to create a mural for the wall of what is now *Dancing Dog* to replace the current disintegrating mural. Louise will present this option to them, suggesting they use one of the panels from the mural they drew for the Elks Club Wall submittal
3. **Other Mural location suggestions:** the wall of the alley by Pony Express Printers, Tsuda's Market wall, Carpe Vino wall, Izzi's Corner Pub wall by the bus parking lot.
4. **Guide to Public Art Brochure:** Louise and Marilyn attended the Old Town Business Association meeting to present and distribute the brochures. They will attend the Down Town Business Association meeting tonight. When Marilyn returns from a trip next week, she will distribute the brochures to other locations. Louise volunteered to write a press release which Sue will send to newspapers. Marilyn will order 30 plastic brochure holders to display the guides.
5. **City Hall Gallery:** The next exhibit to be hung in mid March will be art works of the Placer Art League. It was suggested we invite artists to be on a waiting list for back up to display their art when substitutions are needed for the gallery. Marilyn took several suggestions of "on call" artists. Mike will contact Kim Brown & Marilyn will make arrangements. Better lighting is needed for the gallery exhibits. Mike will contact his friend for his expert advice on how to improve the gallery lighting.
6. **Auburn Placer Performing Arts Center:** APPAC sponsored a bus trip to Redding on March 6th for potential investors and interested public to tour the beautifully restored Cascade Theater which is similar to our Old State Theater, and hear how it was successfully reconstructed into a performing arts center. APPAC has refurbished the large room upstairs which is now used for public meetings. The Sierra Community Chorus is presenting a benefit concert on May 11 at Placer High School.
7. **Blooming Benches:** Mike reported John Balaam of the Woodcrafters Guild made a beautifully crafted bench as a model. Mike canvassed the Old Town & Down Town businesses offering them the opportunity of ordering a bench for \$200 which would be auctioned off after 3 months for the benefit of community art

projects. Several merchants agreed, others were given information and need follow up. It was suggested perhaps Everett could meet with Angie Tahti Exec Director of ACPC to enlist artists to paint them.

Old Business:

AAC vacancy: City Clerk, Anne Cooley sent an announcement of the AAC vacancy to the papers. The Deadline for applicants is March 16th.

Streetscape Project: It was suggested the Power Point presentation of the Streetscape project be shown at a Commission meeting. Louise has asked Everett to schedule a presenter.

Trip to Crocker Art Museum: The tour of Patty Taylor Gutermuth glass sculptures in Sacramento and trip to the Crocker will be scheduled when convenient.

Feats of Clay Reception: April 28. Marilyn will send in reservations and Merit Award application/check from AAC. Other Commissioners are invited to attend with her.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 a.m.

Submitted by Sue Dings, Secretary

Next Meeting Date: Wednesday, April 11, 7:30 a.m. [Note change of date]